



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP ART UNIT 2174**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application. No: 09/742,946
Filed: December 20, 2000
Inventor(s): Steven W. Rogers and Jason S. King

Examiner: Ke, Peng
Group/Art Unit: 2174
Atty. Dkt. No: 5150-52100

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD
FOR PERFORMING TYPE
CHECKING FOR
HARDWARE DEVICE
NODES IN A GRAPHICAL
PROGRAM

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF
APRIL 7, 2006**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of April 7, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.